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COUNTRY	East Germany		
TOPIC	Stendal Airfield		
EVALUATION	PLACE OBTAINED	25X1	
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1. On 13 August 1954, the "Neues Lager" southeast of Stendal airfield was occupied by about 450 personnel wearing red-bordered black epaulets. Eighteen 37-mm AA guns were seen, including 6 in an emplacement which was located east of the Stendal-Borstel road at a point in line with the center of the field, 6 which were canvas-covered in the yard of the quartering installation and 6 parked under a lean-to-roof. Sixty soldiers were seen participating in athletics and 30 soldiers were seen in the AA gun emplacement. At 2030, the barracks and the temporary mess building were fully lit. The guardhouse was located about in line with kilometer marker 31.15. The motor vehicle shed extended from there to kilometer marker 30.97. The southern boundary of the installation was in line with kilometer marker 30.9, the northern boundary at kilometer marker 31.35. A brick building was under construction north of the guardhouse. A sketch was made of Neues Lager. 1
2. A trailer with a van-like superstructure mounting an antenna installation, probably belonging to an AA 4 MK 3 radar set was seen in the southern part of the yard of the quartering buildings of Neues Lager at Stendal. 2
3. On 14 and 16 September, the barracks southeast of Stendal airfield appeared to be occupied to capacity by personnel wearing red-bordered black epaulets and artillery insignia. Soldiers engaged in athletics in the barracks area. Six 37-mm canvas-covered AA guns were parked in the eastern part of the installation, 6 guns of the same type were seen in the AA gun emplacement east of the airfield. Aiming practices were held in the AA gun emplacement near which a radio truck with a radar set was seen. Truck [ ] proceeded to the quartering buildings. 1
4. On 21 September, Stendal airfield was occupied by about 25 Il-10s and 4 Po-2s. There was no flying by the Il-10s which were covered by tarpaulins. At about 0900, the 4 Po-2s took off, made a local flight and disappeared toward the southeast. The aircraft returned

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at about 1700. Between 2030 and 2200, the Po-2s made local flights. A searchlight was located near the hangars. The lights at the eastern boundary of the field were in operation. Between 0830 and 1100 on 22 September, 4 Po-2s made individual flights. The weather was fair with gusty winds. After each flight, the crew of the aircraft was exchanged. Two [redacted] were seen at the field. 3

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1. [redacted] Comment. There was no change in the occupation of the AA quarters in "Neues Lager". In June 1954, another source also observed 12 AA guns in the quartering area. There was no change in the occupation of the AA gun emplacement. For sketch of "Neues Lager", see Annex.

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2. [redacted] Comment. This radar set is reported for the first time.

3. [redacted] Comment. Stendal airfield is occupied by a ground attack regiment which is equipped with Il-10s. The Po-2s are used for primary pilot training. [redacted] observed on a jeep was previously observed on a truck with an AA unit.

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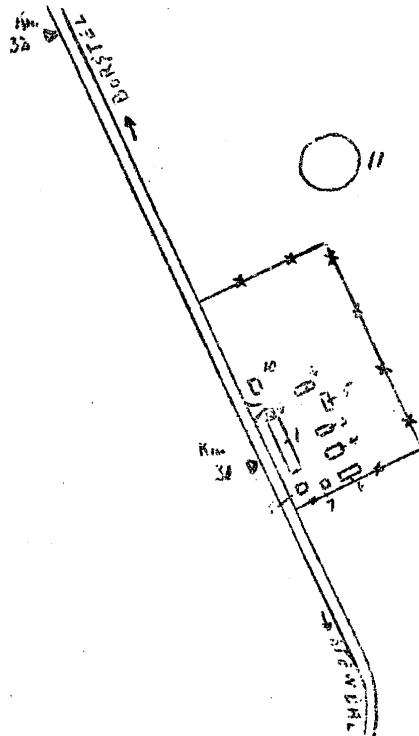
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Annex

Neues Lager Southeast of Stendal AirfieldLegend:

- 1 Motor vehicle sheds, wool sheds with cardboard roof
- 2 to 4 brick billets
- 5 Supply building, low brick structure
- 6 Low wooden building
- 7 Woolen shed
- 8 Transformer station
- 9 Church use
- 10 Brick building under construction
- 11 Art gun emplacement

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